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Oregon Observations

Riddle.—A coroner's jury Saturday found that Ode Bates, 18 years old, came to his death from a knife wound inflicted by Arthur James Thompson.

Albany.—Some Linn county potatoes sold this week for \$2.52 a bushel. William Blacklaw, a farmer residing in Tennessee precinct, north of Lebanon and about 11 miles southeast of Albany, sold 20 bushels for \$105.50.

Eugene.—The petition asking the Lane county court to call a special election May 21 for the purpose of submitting to the voters of the county the question of issuing \$2,000,000 bonds for the construction of roads was filed in the office of the county clerk Saturday. The petition contained 1650 names.

Pendleton.—Four men, Nate Raines, stockman, Seth Richardson, dairyman, Ed Barr, driver of the machine, and an unidentified passenger, were injured Saturday night when their auto overturned on the Wild Horse road near here. The lights on the machine, it was reported, dimmed just before it struck a piece of the road when had been damaged by winter rains.

Dallas.—A number of Dallas business and professional men, having decided to cut down on the cost of clothing, appeared at their respective places of business Saturday morning garbed in corduroy trousers. They say they will continue to wear this sort of apparel until a material decrease takes place in the present high prices of clothing.

Marshfield.—Dairy products brought a large sum of money to ranchers of Coos county, according to a report compiled for the Portland of Coos Bay during the year 1918 a total of 3,500,000 pounds of cheese valued at \$1,000,000, 100,000 pounds of butter valued at \$54,000 and 40,000 cases of condensed milk valued at \$24,000.

Albany.—That broomcorn can be grown successfully on river-bottom land in the Willamette valley is indicated by an experiment last year by Grant Thomas, a farmer residing near Lebanon. Mr. Thomas planted a small quantity and sold it for broom, and from his experiment estimates that under normal conditions this product will yield from \$450 to \$700 per acre.

Brown Declares Fish Agreement On Rogue Illegal

The agreement entered into between the Mackey Estate company and the Rogue River Fish and Game Protective association of Medford is not valid and cannot be enforced by the state fish and game commission, according to Attorney General Brown, who holds that only the legislature is empowered to enact such an agreement as it involves the annulment of a statute.

The agreement in question was entered into March 31 in an effort to settle the long standing Rogue river fishing controversy. It prohibits the use of all seines, net nets, diver nets and trammel nets and provides that all commercial fishing other than by hook and line shall be confined to the use of drift nets having a mesh of not less than 3 1/2 inches.

Brown, in an opinion prepared for the state fish and game commission, holds that under the present statutes the board is powerless to carry out the terms of the agreement and that the matter must be carried to the legislature by the people of the state for settlement.

Abe-Martin



Somehow we're all off a feather and he'll be in something for our own good. The Meets has moved to Fremont, 3100 Ford town, in southern Indiana.

ARMENIA'S REQUEST.

Armenia has requested that the United States accept a mandate of control of Armenian territory, as America is the one great power without territorial ambitions in the near east and the one without selfish interests to serve. The appeal to America is seconded by those Americans engaged in relief work in that unfortunate land. A similar request from Turkey for America to accept a mandate at Constantinople was refused by the administration.

The Armenian request is opposed by Herbert Hoover, probably the best posted of those qualified to discuss the subject, who points out the dangers of the policy of American participation in foreign affairs as follows:

"If we were to undertake political intervention in Armenia tomorrow we would find from the physical necessities of the case that in order to protect ourselves we should be compelled to take a political guardianship not only of Armenia itself but also of Georgia and Azerbaijan to the north and Anatolia and Constantinople to the west. If we were to place this region in position to develop economic independence it would also imply the guardianship of Mesopotamia to the east. We should find ourselves brought into direct political entanglement with the whole weight of Russia and to great conflict of economic interests with the Allies. We should find ourselves projected into the very maelstrom of European politics. Our great difficulty would not be Armenia but conflict of interest with all the great powers interested in the partition of Turkey."

Only through the League of Nations can America safely participate in foreign affairs by lending her moral strength to the maintenance of peace. With America a vital force in the league, a smaller disinterested nation could take over the mandate under the league, and, backed by the league, more successfully administer affairs than distant America.

Armenia is grateful for American aid, which is keeping the remnant of her persecuted population alive. She has little faith in a Europe that for political purposes has permitted the Turk to continue his atrocious massacres of a Christian people because they are Christians. She knows that American control would inaugurate an unexampled era of development and prosperity, that American capital and American brains would build up the devastated region and make it again, as in ancient times, one of the most populous and civilized regions on the globe. Small wonder American help is wanted.

If America does not owe it to humanity to participate directly in rebuilding the world, and making it safe for Christianity, it is certainly a duty that should not be shirked to participate indirectly through the League of Nations.

EQUALIZING SCHOOL TAXES.

The proposed two-mill levy for public schools is designed primarily to provide a more equitable method of support for the schools. As it is, a large percentage of property does not contribute to the support of the schools, thus forcing excessive taxation upon the property that does.

The Oregon Voter has compiled a vast amount of data concerning taxation for schools, from which the following facts are gleaned. There are 2,447 school districts in Oregon, 564 of which are sustained on a two-mill district levy. On the other hand, 137 districts were compelled to levy local school taxes of 15 mills or more. Of these, 49 voted 20 mills or more, and 7 voted 30 mills, while one voted 40 mills and one 50 mills. One-fifth get along without a special levy and the others with special levies generally under 5 mills.

Ten millions is being paid this year for support of the public schools by taxpayers, of which \$7,153,510 is raised by local district levies, \$565,453 by union and county high school district and tuition levies, and \$2,285,175 by general county taxation.

The proposed two-mill levy will provide a general tax upon all property, proceeds of which are to be handed to local districts on a specified teacher basis. The local district can confine its expenditures to the receipts of this fund, or it can impose an additional local tax to supplement, if desired, but all property must pay to support the schools.

Marion county raises now by school district levies \$240,231, and by the county school levy, \$109,960. Under the two-mill tax, it would raise \$83,000. Polk county raises by county and district levies \$74,905 and under the two-mill levy, would raise \$35,000. Of the 133 Marion districts, 60 get along with a two-mill or less tax and 14 of the 77 Polk county school districts do the same. This 45 per cent of the Marion county districts and 18 per cent of the Polk county districts, will receive a larger sum under the proposed two-mill levy than they receive now under the district levy without increased taxation, while in the other districts, the increased receipts will enable a reduction in district levies, and be of great assistance to weak districts.

The great benefit of the measure will be that it enables higher salaries or other maintenance or improvement expenses, and unless higher salaries are in prospect, it will not be possible to secure competent teachers for a large proportion of the districts—and the children must suffer.

The success of a republic depends upon the education of the people and America's future depends upon the children of today. The nation faces an educational crisis and, unless we rise to meet it, by some such measure as the two-mill levy, we face not only a demoralized school system but a demoralized nation. The child must be placed above the dollar.

Rippling Rhymes

SUFFERING GERMANY.

The Huns are shot to pieces, the telegrams declare; things are not slick as grease is—disorder's everywhere; the peasant and patrician are both in sad condition; they're eating ammunition, there is no grub to spare. No useful wheels are turning, the church bells do not ring; no smifthy fires are burning, no workmen's hammers swing; but gloom is all-prevailing, and wrath and bitter wailing; men are so busy railing they do not smile and sing. I ought to view with sorrow the troubles of the Hun, and say I hope tomorrow will see his anguish done; and yet I see him sweating without a great regretting; he earned what he is getting, earned trouble by the ton. Had he but shown repentance for any crimes of his, had he received his sentence with a remorseful phiz, I might compose a ditty of condolence and pity, more generous than twitty, but as things are—Gee whiz! The Hun has been so sassy, so nery and so smart, he thinks himself so classy, and greater-than-thou-art, that it is hard to view him with sympathy, beshrew him! so let his woes pursue him until his change of heart.

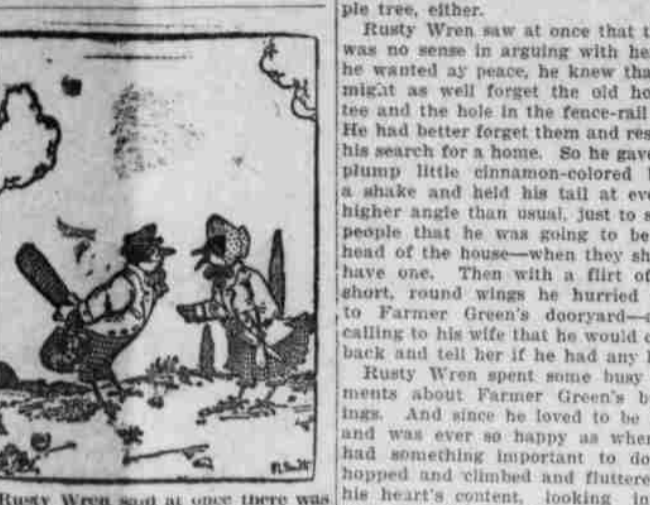
LOVE and MARRIED LIFE

By the Noted Author IDAH McGLONE GIBSON

WHAT KARL WROTE. "I can not resist the impulse, my dear Katherine," the letter began, "of writing to you on the eve of my departure for France. I have been offered a consular post in that country and for many reasons, some of them perhaps known to you, I have decided to take it, at least for awhile. I am going to try and fashion my own life on a little different lines than I have been living. Perhaps when I return, my dear friend, I may bring with me a French wife, for I have come to the conclusion that there is nothing in this world so useless and out of date as an unmarried man of my age."



A PLEASANT HOME. CHAPTER I. Now, Rusty Wren had found—and shown to his wife—a hollow apple tree and a hole in a fence-rail, either of which he thought would make a pleasant place in which to live. But since the little couple were "house wrens", Rusty's wife said she



Rusty Wren said at once there was no sense in arguing with her.

thought that they oughtn't to be so far from the farm-house. "Why not build our nest behind one of the shutters?" she suggested. But Rusty shook his head quickly—and with decision. "That won't do," said he. "Somebody might come to the window and close the shutter; and then our nest would fall to the ground. And if we happened to have six or eight eggs in it, you know you wouldn't like that."

them, poor things, are brave enough to try and make the best of their lives with no help from their husbands. "I haven't any illusions about myself, my dear Katherine, but I do honestly believe that I could make a woman happier than most of my married men friends seem to have done, and I know that I shall try to deserve happiness myself before I ask for it."

There are some things that a decent man may not say to a married woman, whatever his inclination. "He can not tell her that he is sorry for her; he can not tell her that he thinks she is the bravest little woman in the world; he can not tell her that his sympathy is always and ever with her, and more than all, he can not tell her that every day he rails against the fate that did not bring him to know her sooner."

Queer Old World. "I believe, Katherine, that many men feel this way in regard to many women, because I know that a man is not always attracted to a woman that might be his for the asking. It's a queer old world, my dear friend, and things get most awfully mixed up at times and that is the reason why I am going away. And that is the reason why I am going to try and find some woman that I can care for enough, respect enough and reverence enough to wish to make her the mother of my children."

"I can not tell whether I shall write you again. I can not hope for the joy of a word from you—it is best that I drop out of your life. I don't for a moment think that what I do, or say, or care would influence you in any way, but I do know that what you say, do or care, would have the greatest influence on my life."

"Oh, I shall go on in the same old way, but I want you to know just why I am writing you. I think you have known it long ago, but some way I do not feel right to go away without making some declaration of my feelings toward you."

Might Think Letter Wrong. "There are people who might think that this letter was very wrong—I have cared for John very much, we have been friends all through our boyhood, and I swear to you, Katherine, if John had been anything more to you than the selfish, masculine animal that he is, I would not have written this letter, but a man can not see a woman in such despair as I saw you that night when I caught you back from death and feel perfectly indifferent to her. Some one, something is greatly to blame for all this, and I hope that some day you may, at least be happy again."

This letter I tore into tiny bits and calling the nurse, I asked her to put it into the waste basket. I was frightened at my feelings. I did not dare ask myself what I would answer if Karl Shepard had given me his address.

(Tomorrow—Thoughts of Karl)

Washington Now Full of Political Picket Parades

Washington.—Political picketing, often of the peaceful sort, and more often with militant accompaniments, is running epidemic in Washington again, and the thousands of tourists who make the national capital their Mecca all year round again see bands of women slowly parading about the street bearing banners with a wide variety of inscriptions.

Seemingly, every cause which wishes to impress its demands, arguments or protests on "the powers that be" ultimately adopt the picketing system, which was first introduced in the capital by a branch of the women suffragists about ten years ago. The latest to adopt the method are women espousing the cause of Irish freedom, and they have directed their protests against the British embassy. Their campaign has caused somewhat of a flurry because it is not without its international aspects.

The British embassy, for instance, is foreign territory, whether the sidewalk in front of it is American territory, no one has essayed to decide. Moreover, there is a federal law which penalizes any person who "assaults" a diplomatic representative of a friendly power. Whether the picketing of the embassy is an annoyance to the British diplomats, and whether an annoyance is an assault within the technical meaning

upon the finest place for a house that he had ever seen. One quick look through the small round opening that led to it was enough. He knew right away that his search was ended. So he hurried back to the orchard to find Mrs. Rusty and tell her the good news. "I've found the best spot for a house in all Pleasant Valley!" he cried, as he dropped down beside her and hopped about in his excitement. "Is it in a good neighborhood?" she inquired calmly. "Yes, indeed!" he replied. "It is in a tree close to Farmer Green's back room window."

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and relieve the cough. In addition, the medicinal ingredients of Vick's are vaporized by the body heat. These vapors are breathed in all night long, thus bringing the medication to bear directly upon the inflamed areas. Vick's should be rubbed in over the throat and chest until the skin is red—then spread on thickly and covered with hot flannel cloths. Leave the clothing loose around the neck and the bed clothes arranged in the form of a funnel so the vapors arising may be freely inhaled. If the cough is annoying, swallow a small bit of Vick's the size of a pea.

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